

The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Congratulations on your appointment to Chair the FCC. In your new leadership role, I urge you to consider the "Fair Share Plan" as a possible solution to current concerns with the Universal Service Fund (USF). My understanding of the "flat rate plan" is that it will penalize residences and small businesses such as ours that have several telephone numbers, but have light long-distance usage. Even as it is now, close to 20% of our telephone bills are taxes and fees. That should be enough.

I urge you to consider alternatives that do not punish small businesses which make up the heart of the middle class and our economy. Thank you, and best of luck in your new position.

cc: Marlene Dortch, Secretary

Sincerely,

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